

School Bus Safety



A yellow school bus is one of the most recognizable vehicles on the road. Children and drivers need to learn to practice safety around school buses.

Safety Tips for Children

STEP BACK

Stay at least 10 feet from the edge of the roadway.
Don't approach the bus until it comes to a complete stop.

BE SAFE

Don't run or play at a bus stop.

BE SEEN

Wear light colored clothing so the bus driver and other motorists can see you.

BE ALERT

Pay attention to your surroundings. Texting or talking on the phone or using headphones can be dangerous distractions.

Safety Tips for Drivers



Yellow flashing lights indicate the bus is getting ready to stop and load or unload children. **Drivers should slow down and prepare to stop.**



Red flashing lights with an extended stop sign arm on a stopped school bus indicates children getting on or off. **Drivers should stop behind the school bus.**

Drivers on highways with only two travel lanes, one in each direction, **MUST STOP** for the bus. This applies to vehicles approaching or following the bus. **You must remain stopped until the lights on the bus are no longer flashing and the bus is in motion.**



Drivers traveling with a bus on a multi-lane highway must stop and remain stopped until the bus lights are no longer flashing or the bus resumes motion. Drivers opposite a bus on this type of multi-lane roadway need not stop, **but should proceed with caution.**

